Northern Illinois University
Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA)
2015 Annual Fire Safety Report

Introduction

The Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) became public law 110-315 in August 2008 requiring all institutions of higher education that provide on-campus student housing facilities to develop an annual fire safety report. Contents of this report reflect the requirements outlined in HEOA and include the following: fire prevention policies and practices, fire safety educational and training programs, description of fire safety systems in on-campus student housing facilities, emergency evacuation procedures, fire safety statistics, and proposed plans for future improvements to the on-campus student housing fire safety program. The Campus Fire Safety Manager with the Department of Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) administers the campus fire safety program and is responsible for developing and maintaining this report and the associated fire log. Please note the information and data presented in this report is reflective of campus fire safety operations for the calendar year 2014.

This public disclosure is intended to inform current and prospective students and employees of the fire safety programs in place at Northern Illinois University (NIU), and the institution's state of readiness to detect and respond appropriately to fire related emergencies. This report can be viewed online at http://www.niu.edu/clery/fire_report.pdf Hard copies of the report are available upon request by calling 815-753-0404. The report is also available by visiting the EH&S Department located in room 203 of the Dorland Building. The EH&S Department is open Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 4:30 PM excluding holidays.

The Clery Act 2015 Annual Security Report may be viewed on-line at http://safety.niu.edu/clery/annual_security_report.pdf This report includes statistics for the previous three (3) years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus; in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by NIU; and on public property within or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as policies concerning sexual assault and other matters.

Objectives

Northern Illinois University (NIU) is committed to protecting the health and safety of the NIU community (i.e. faculty, staff, students, deans, directors, department heads, contractors and guests) as well as the environment. This is achieved through interdisciplinary collaboration and shared faculty governance to ensure appropriate compliance with applicable fire safety statutory requirements which is a shared responsibility amongst the NIU Community. Therefore, it is essential that members of the NIU community take an active role in this shared vision by initiating appropriate measures to ensure compliance and promote fire prevention associated with activities/operations under their direction. Such measures may include the following:

- Take steps to minimize (and eliminate where possible) foreseeable fire hazards;
- Comply with applicable fire safety rules and regulations;
- Complete fire safety training (if required);
- Maintain personal accountability for engaging in safe behaviors and practices in the interest of fire prevention;
- Report fires, fire hazards and potential violations;
- Recommend improvements to support the university fire safety program;
- Be prepared for emergencies that may occur on campus;
- Require those who do business with NIU to perform their work in a manner that protects the University from foreseeable fire hazards.

The Campus Fire Safety Manager collaborates with respective campus business partners, student groups, regulatory authorities and first responders by providing technical guidance and consultation to support the objectives listed above.

Definition of Terms

- Cause of fire: The factor or factors that give rise to a fire. The causal factor may be, but is not limited to, the result of an intentional or unintentional action, mechanical failure, or act of nature.
- Fire: Any instance of open flame or other burning in a place not intended to contain the burning or in an uncontrolled manner.
- Fire drill: A supervised practice of a mandatory evacuation of a building for a fire.
- Fire-related injury: Any instance in which a person is injured as a result of a fire, including an injury sustained from a natural or accidental cause, while involved in fire control, attempting rescue, or escaping from the dangers of a fire. The term “person” may include students, faculty, staff, visitors, firefighters, or any other individuals.
- Fire-related death: Any instance in which a person (1) is killed as a result of a fire, including death resulting from a natural or accidental cause while involved in fire control, attempting rescue, or escaping from the dangers of a fire; or (2) dies within one year of injuries sustained as a result of a fire.
- Fire-safety system: Any mechanism or system related to the detection of a fire, the warning resulting from a fire, or the control of a fire. This may include sprinkler systems or other fire extinguishing systems; fire detection devices; stand-alone smoke alarms; devices that alert one to the presence of a fire, such as horns, bells, or strobe lights; smoke-control and reduction mechanisms; and fire doors and walls that reduce the spread of a fire.

- Value of property damage: The estimated value of the loss of the structure and contents, in terms of the cost of replacement in like kind and quantity. This estimate should include contents damaged by fire, and related damages caused by smoke, water, and overhaul; however it does not include indirect loss, such as business interruption.

Fire Prevention Policies and Guidelines

Applicable campus policies and guidance documents such as, but not limited to, the *Residence Hall Handbook, NIU Emergency Response Guide* and other applicable college and university fire safety guidelines were referenced in the development of this report. The *Residence Hall Handbook* and the *NIU Emergency Response Guide* can be found by clicking on the attached links:

Residence Hall Handbook:
http://www.niu.edu/housing/halls/handbook/NIU-Residence-Hall-Handbook.pdf

NIU Emergency Response Guide:
http://www.niu.edu/publicsafety/emergency_guide/NIU-EmergencyGuide.pdf

The on-campus student housing management (Housing and Dining Services) and Department of Police and Public Safety periodically review these policies and guidelines and revise them as necessary to fit the needs of the operations therein. Notable highlights of these policies and guidelines pertaining to fire safety are listed below:

Holiday Decorations

Decorating the interior of on-campus student housing facilities is allowed provided such decorations are installed in a manner consistent with the following requirements:

- Decorations are prohibited in the stairwells as well as both sides of the stairwell doors.
- Wall decorations in corridors shall not be concentrated to one specific area. They should be spread out covering no more than twenty percent of the surface to reduce the potential fuel load of a fire.
- Emergency evacuation plans installed on the inside of each student room door should not be covered or obstructed with decorations.
- Decorative displays should be compact. Garlands, streamers or displays that extend down a corridor should not be used because of their potential to spread fire, increase the fuel load, and impede egress. Displays should be limited to offices, lobbies, and common areas in the residence halls.
- Decorations should not conceal the residence hall room number located on the exterior of the room door. Decorations should also not conceal the stairwell identification signage. This information needs to be visible and readily identifiable for first responders.
- All decorations and ornaments must be of fire-resistant or non-combustible material, listed by Underwriters Laboratory (UL) or Factory Mutual (FM) and approved for use.
- The use of live Christmas trees, wreathes, boughs or other decorations constructed from the branches of natural trees are prohibited.
- Artificial trees made of fire retardant materials or non-combustible materials labeled with UL or FM approval ratings are allowed. Metallic trees may create electrical hazards when

placed in close proximity to the electrical supply; therefore the use of electric lights on metallic trees is prohibited.

- Artificial trees and other decorations must be located so as not to obstruct exit corridors or the operation of fire protection equipment including, but not limited to: fire extinguishers, sprinkler heads, exit signs, fire alarm pull stations, smoke alarms or heat detectors. Trees should also not be placed in any manner that could present a fall or trip hazard, impede egress, or block emergency egress from any room. Do not affix or tie decorations to such equipment.
- Electric light strings should be UL or FM approval label. These lights should be checked for fraying, bare wires, loose connections, and cracked plastic parts. Use of miniature electric lights are encouraged since they are both cooler and more energy efficient than regular size lighting. Unplug holiday lighting when the area is unoccupied. Electric lights or electrically operated ornaments shall not be used on metal, aluminum or any other similar metal, which could induce an electric shock. Light strings should not be placed in any manner that could present a fall or trip hazard, impede egress, block emergency egress from any room, or restrict access to fire protection equipment. Light strings should not be routed through doorways, under rugs or loose carpeting or across walkways.
- Each student room is equipped with one university-issued heavy duty extension cord. This cord is provided for use with the university-issued microwave/refrigerator/freezer. Non-university issued extension cords are prohibited.
- Power strips may not be "daisy chained" by plugging them together in series.
- Multi-plug adapters are prohibited. Use power strips with a fuse or integral circuit breaker when extra outlets are needed.
- All holiday decorations should be removed before leaving campus for the holidays and at the end of each semester.
- Decorative materials including artificial snow, decorative sprays, ceiling/wall tapestries, cotton cobwebs, bales of hay, and other highly flammable materials are strictly prohibited.

Open Flame Devices

The use of open flame devices can substantially increase the risk of a fire resulting in serious consequences when not used appropriately. Therefore, open flame devices are strictly prohibited in on-campus student housing facilities. Examples of open flame devices include, but are not limited to: candles, incense burners, potpourri pots, scented oil warmers, tiki torches, sterno pots, Bunsen burners, fireworks, or any other portable flame-producing device. Candles can be displayed in Menorahs and other religious articles but may not be used and should remain unlit with the wicks removed. Battery operated candles listed by UL or FM serve as an acceptable substitute.

Open flames devices discovered during regularly scheduled fire safety inspections performed by on-campus student housing staff will be immediately confiscated and residents may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct Policy.

Portable Electrical Equipment and Appliances
Due to the current residential room electrical configuration, a maximum of eight (8) amps should be used per electrical outlet in a student room.

- Typically acceptable appliances (UL approved) include: computers, gaming systems, TVs, CD players, DVD players, stereos, razors, fans, etc. Some hairdryers/curling irons/flat irons may require additional power and need to be used in the public area bathrooms rather than individual resident rooms to avoid tripping circuit breakers.
- Use surge protectors/power strips for all electronics, particularly computers, gaming systems, televisions, DVD players, stereo equipment, and clock radios. Lightweight extension cords and multiple outlet plugs without surge protectors create a safety hazard and are prohibited.
- Personal routers and/or wireless access points are prohibited. Unmanaged hubs or switches can be used to connect more than one device in a room.
- Open-ended heating elements and electrical appliances that may pose a fire hazard, such as hot plates, hot pots, electric or contact grills, and unauthorized space heaters are prohibited. Electrical appliances with an enclosed heating element are permitted (i.e., popcorn makers and coffeepots) when used under continual supervision.
- Every room is furnished with a microwave/refrigerator/freezer appliance. Other microwave ovens and refrigerators are not allowed.
- Personal/room air conditioners may not be brought into the hall or installed in resident rooms.

Prohibited Items
Items that create danger to persons, damage to university property, a fire/safety hazard, and/or a public nuisance must not be used, possessed, or stored in on-campus student housing (including student rooms). These include:

- Internal combustion engines, acids, automobile batteries, gasoline, halogen desk lamps and multi-headed lamps.
- Charcoal and other fire starter materials. Residents may store grills in their rooms, but may not use them indoors. The storage of combustible lighting fluids in student rooms is prohibited. Barbecue grills must be located at least 100 feet from any campus building when in use.

Tampering of Fire Protection Equipment
Smoke detectors and sprinkler heads are fire safety equipment, and residents are strictly prohibited from:

- Disconnecting or covering a detector;
- Tampering with the detector or hindering its function in any way;
- Purposely causing an alarm to occur;
- Hanging objects from or otherwise obstructing smoke detectors, heat detectors or sprinkler heads and pipes;
- Removing sprinkler head cover plates;
- Tampering with fire safety equipment (which includes but is not limited to sprinkler heads, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, and pull stations) subjects the violator to a $50 fine, University disciplinary action, and additional charges for any resulting repairs and/or cleaning including a $100 charge if city fire trucks are called unnecessarily.

- Residents should test their smoke detectors each month by pushing the button.
- Disconnecting a smoke detector, failure to report its malfunctioning (including failure to observe that the light is on or not flashing), or other negligence subjects residents of that room not only to student conduct charges but also to civil charges and, in the event of fire, payment for related damages to the building and the persons and property of others.

Regularly Scheduled Fire Safety Inspections
On-campus student housing staff enter student rooms to conduct room inspections as part of scheduled semester safety inspections. During these inspections, staff typically check for fire safety hazards including:

- Non-polarized extension cords;
- Non-UL approved equipment;
- Power strips or multiple outlets without circuit breakers;
- Multiple power cords connected to each other;
- Improperly installed microwave/refrigerator/freezer units;
- Unapproved electrical appliance;
- Use of non-metal trash can;
- Decorations inconsistent with fire safety guideline;
- Clearly observable room damage;
- Unauthorized furnishings;
- Obvious violations of university policy;
- Candles with burned wicks.

Staff will assist students in removing identified fire hazards in accordance with the Residence Hall Handbook and the Student Code of Conduct Policy.

On-Campus Student Housing Smoking Policy
Smoking is prohibited (including electronic cigarettes) inside any on-campus student housing facility. Furthermore, smoking is prohibited within 15 feet of, or next to, any door entrances, windows or vents in accordance with applicable university policy.

Policy on Renter's Insurance
In an effort to provide peace of mind for students and their families, residents are encouraged to carry personal property insurance, as the University is not responsible for damage to residents' property. Students are encouraged to review their homeowners' policies to determine if any coverage gaps exist. If so, it is best to consult with an insurance agent regarding the purchase of rental insurance. Housing and Dining cannot be held responsible for damage to residents' property.

Fire Safety Education and Training Programs

On-campus student housing staff receives comprehensive fire safety training prior to the start of every fall semester. Topics and exercises include: a review of fire prevention policies and guidelines listed therein, basic description of operation of various types of fire protection equipment, weather safety information, emergency medical assistance, fire extinguisher training,

and an emergency evacuation exercise. All residents at Northern View Community are also required to attend mandatory fire safety training upon arrival to campus.

Fire Safety Systems in On-Campus Student Housing Facilities

Northern Illinois University provides the following on-campus student housing facilities at the DeKalb campus: Stevenson Towers, Grant C and D Towers, Douglas Hall, Neptune Complex, Neptune North, Gilbert Hall, New Residence Hall East and New Residence Hall West and Northern View Community (a multi-family apartment complex consisting of five separate apartment buildings and a community center).

NIU Lorado-Taft Campus

The Lorado-Taft Campus located in Oregon, Illinois provides resident outdoor education programs to elementary and middle-school students on weekdays and serves as a conference center on the weekends. Participants (both students and adults) may reside in any one of the three residential facilities (Heckman, Grover, and Clarkson) for up to 5 days/4 nights at a time.

The following tables provide a brief summary of the fire safety systems contained in each on-campus student housing facility.

Fire Safety Systems at NIU DeKalb Campus

Student Housing Facility with Street Address	***Fire Alarm Monitoring On-Site by NIU Police***	***Sprinkler Systems***	***Smoke Detection***	***Fire Extinguishers***	***Emergency Evacuation Plans***	***Number of Fire Drills Per Calendar Year***
Northern View Community (Bldg 2) 2 Northern View Circle	x	x	x	x		1
Northern View Community (Bldg 3) 3 Northern View Circle	x	x	x	x		1
Northern View Community (Bldg 4) 4 Northern View Circle	x	x	x	x		1
Northern View Community (Bldg 5) 5 Northern View Circle	x	x	x	x		1
Northern View Community (Bldg 6) 6 Northern View Circle	x	x	x	x		1
Stevenson North (C and D Towers) 1350 Stevenson Drive North	x	x	x	x	x	1
Stevenson South (A and B Towers) 420 Stadium Drive West	x	x	x	x	x	1

Grant North (C and D Towers) 1250 Grant Drive North	x	x	x	x	x	1
[1]Douglas Hall 1195 Stadium Drive North	x	x	x	x	x	0
Neptune North 750 Lucinda Drive	x	x	x	x	x	1
Neptune Complex 201 Carroll Avenue	x	x	x	x	x	1
[2]New Residence Hall East 501 North Annie Glidden Road	x	x	x	x	x	0
[2]New Residence Hall West 1175 Lincoln Drive North	x	x	x	x	x	0
Gilbert Hall 383 Gilbert Drive	x	x	x	x	x	1

Notes:

1. *Douglas Hall was removed from service and consequently demolished in the summer of 2014.*
2. *Fire Drills were not conducted in the New Residence Hall East or West since fire alarm evacuation procedures were successfully implemented on at least 15 different occasions in 2014. Fire alarm activations were due primarily to non-fire related activities in the building.*

Fire Safety Systems at NIU Lorado Taft Campus (Oregon, Il.)

Student Housing Facility with Street Address[1]	***Fire Alarm Monitoring Off-Site by NIU Police***	***Sprinkler Systems***	***Smoke Detection***	***Fire Extinguishers***	***Emergency Evacuation Plans***	***Number of Fire Drills Per Calendar Year***
Heckman	x		x	x	x	0
Grover	x		x	x	x	0
Clarkson	x		x	x	x	0

Notes:

1. *The address for the Lorado Taft Campus is 1414 North River Road, Oregon, Il. Clarkson, Grover, and Heckman do not have individual street addresses.*
2. *The fire alarm panel at Clarkson supervises the fire alarm systems at Grover, Heckman, and Clarkson. This panel is monitored on a continual basis by the NIU Public Safety Dispatch Center at the DeKalb campus.*

Fire safety systems that serve to detect, warn, or control a fire in addition to the systems listed in the table above include:

- Kitchen hoods are protected by special hazard UL-listed wet chemical suppression systems in the associated dining facilities. These systems are monitored by the building fire alarm system.
- Dry standpipes are located in each stairwell at Stevenson and Grant Towers.
- Emergency alert systems in Stevenson Towers, Grant Towers (C and D), New Residence Hall East and West, Gilbert Hall and the Northern View Community Buildings 2 through 6 and the associated Community Center.
- Fire pumps in Stevenson Towers, Grant C and D Tower and the New Residence Hall East and West.
- Elevators, magnetically propped open fire-rated door assemblies, and air handling units, are integrated with the fire alarm system.
- Stairwell doors in Stevenson and Grant C and D Tower are integrated with the fire alarm system to automatically unlock and self-close upon activation of the fire alarm system.
- Fire-rated door assemblies include, but are not limited to: student rooms, stairwells, laundry rooms, custodial closets, mechanical rooms, electrical vaults, and storage rooms.

Lorado Taft Field Campus

The fire alarm panel located in the main office of Clarkson monitors and receives fire alarm signals from all three residential facilities. This panel is monitored on a continual basis by the NIU Public Safety Dispatch Center at the DeKalb campus. Battery-backup emergency lights and exit signs provide illumination for the means of egress. Fire-rated door assemblies include, but are not limited to: dormer rooms, stairwells, custodial closets, mechanical rooms, electrical vaults, and storage rooms.

Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Fire Safety Systems

The Fire Safety Officer with the Department of Environmental Health and Safety administers the inspection, testing and maintenance of the campus fire suppression system program (e.g. sprinkler systems, standpipe systems, fire pumps, fire extinguishers, and special hazard fire suppression systems) in accordance with applicable National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards. Licensed and/or qualified fire protection contractors inspect, test, and maintain fire suppression systems in on-campus student housing facilities at both the DeKalb and Lorado-Taft campuses.

The Physical Plant Electrical Shop administers all aspects of the campus fire alarm program in accordance with applicable NFPA standards. Trained and qualified electricians service, install, inspect, test and maintain fire alarm systems in on-campus student housing facilities at both the DeKalb and Lorado-Taft campuses.

Emergency Evacuation Protocol

Upon activation of a fire alarm in an on-campus student housing facility, designated staff (e.g. residence hall directors and Public Safety officers) initiates the fire alarm response procedure while Public Safety dispatch contacts the DeKalb Fire Department. Residence hall directors meet with first responders at the fire alarm panel in the building lobby to identify the location of the activated fire alarm device. If a fire is discovered upon further investigation, designated staff

activates a fire alarm pull-station to initiate a general alarm. Activation of the general alarm initiates a building evacuation. While students are evacuating, residence hall community advisors knock on student doors on each floor and assist in clearing the building while first responders initiate fire-fighting, emergency medical assistance, and crowd control procedures. Students are directed to remain at designated assembly points until the "All Clear" is given by Public Safety or the DeKalb Fire Department. Please note this protocol only applies to the on-campus student housing facilities at the DeKalb campus.

Other departments including EH&S, Risk Management, Physical Plant, and Building Services may also provide support in the investigation, restoration, and cleanup efforts. After every fire alarm activation or reported fire condition, the hall director on duty is responsible for promptly submitting a fire alarm report to Housing and Dining Administration, Physical Plant Electrical Shop and the Campus Fire Safety Manager. Upon receipt, the Campus Fire Safety Manager records the reported fire in the fire log in accordance with HEOA protocols.

What to do upon discovery of a fire:

- Alert other occupants in the immediate area of the fire and pull the nearest fire alarm pull station while evacuating the building using the nearest exit.
- During evacuation, remember to feel doors with the back of the hand before opening them to be sure that there is no fire danger on the other side.
- Close doors during evacuation to contain the fire as much as possible.
- Do not use the elevators.
- If entering a smoke-filled hallway, stay low, keeping one hand on the wall to avoid disorientation and crawl to the nearest exit, keeping the head near the floor.
- If trapped in a room, call 9-1-1 and provide the dispatcher with the exact location and wait for further instructions.
- Once outside proceed to the designed "Assembly Area" and wait for instructions from housing staff. If able to do so, call **9-1-1** and provide the dispatcher with detailed information pertaining to the nature of the fire.
- Residents should remain outside until first responders provide the "All-Clear" to re-enter the building.
- Call **9-1-1** to report all fires, even those which have been extinguished. Contact the Campus Fire Safety Manager (815-753-6250) to report all fires that meet the definition as listed in the "Definition of Terms" section.

If you MUST use a fire extinguisher, remember PASS:

- ***P****ull the safety pin on the valve handle*
- ***A****im the nozzle at the base of the fire*
- ***S****queeze the top and bottom valve handle together*
- ***S****weep the nozzle side-to-side at the base of the fire.*

Fire Response Do's and Don't's

- **DO** treat every fire alarm as an emergency. If the fire alarm sounds, exit the building immediately.

- **DON'T** assume that a fire alarm is a drill or test. All building alarm systems are tested as required by law, but these tests are announced in advance.
- **DO** remain in the room if heat or smoke is impeding safe egress from the building. Call **9-1-1** immediately. Keep the door closed and wait for assistance from the Fire Department. If smoke is entering around the door, stuff the openings with sheets, clothes, or blankets. If possible, open the window and wave a brightly colored garment or towel from the window to draw attention to first responders.
- **DO** close the door if it is safe to leave the room.
  DON'T waste time collecting personal valuables. Take the keys so that you can re-enter your room if exit from the building is not possible.
  DON'T use an elevator during a fire emergency, always use the stairwells.
  DO enter the designated "Area of Rescue Assistance" locations if physical disabled, and activate the call stations located therein to notify the first responders of your location. Remain in place and wait for further instructions for the first responders.

Emergency Evacuation Assistance
Northern Illinois University in partnership with the DeKalb Fire Department operates the Premise Alert Program. As part of this program, NIU Housing and Dining, NIU Department of Police and Public Safety and the DeKalb Fire Department maintain a list of individuals who may need assistance during an emergency evacuation situation. In order to participate in this program students must complete and submit the Premise Alert Program Form which is located at the following link:
http://www.niu.edu/housing/halls/accessibility-premise-alert-form.pdf

Questions about this program should be directed to a Hall Director, Community Director, Complex Coordinator, or the Coordinator of Residential Facilities. The list is located inside the fire alarm panel behind the front desk at each on-campus student housing facility for immediate access to emergency responders.

Emergency Evacuation Protocol for Lorado-Taft Field Campus
Upon receipt of a general fire alarm signal during normal business hours (8AM to 4:30 PM) the NIU Public Safety Dispatch Center will contact Ogle County Emergency Services to report a possible fire condition at the Lorado-Taft Campus. The NIU Public Safety Dispatch Center will also contact the main office at the Lorado-Taft Campus to confirm that trained staff on-site have initiated an investigation to evaluate the status of the fire alarm activation. Should trained staff determine a fire condition exists, they will initiate evacuation procedures.

Upon receipt of a general fire alarm signal afterhours the NIU Public Safety Dispatch Center will contact Ogle County Emergency Services to report a possible fire condition at the Lorado-Taft Campus., The NIU Public Safety Dispatch Center will also contact the Lorado-Taft Manager-On-Duty and/or the Campus Director. The Lorado-Taft Manager-On-Duty and/or the Campus Director will initiate an investigation to evaluate the status of the fire alarm activation. Should the Lorado-Taft Manager-On-Duty and/or the Campus Director determine a fire condition exists, they will initiate evacuation procedures. Occupants are not allowed to re-enter the impacted facility until given the "All Clear" by emergency services personnel.

Facility staff communicates fire-related emergency evacuation procedures to occupants residing in Clarkson, Grover and Heckman so occupants therein can initiate the evacuation process in a prompt and orderly manner.

Fire Safety Statistics

The data presented in the following table summarizes the reported fires that occurred in on-campus student housing for the last three years (2012 to 2014). On-campus student housing staff completes the "*Residence Hall Fire Alarm Incident Report*" to report fire incidents to the Campus Fire Safety Manager so they can be entered into the fire log within two (2) days of occurrence.

Fire Statistics for 2012

On-Campus Student Housing Facility	**Number of Fires**	**Cause of Fire**	**Injuries**	**Fatalities**	**Estimated Value of Property Damages**
Northern View Community (Bldg 2) 2 Northern View Circle	0	0	0	0	0
Northern View Community (Bldg 3) 3 Northern View Circle	1	Unintentional-Kitchen stove grease fire	0	0	$0-99
Northern View Community (Bldg 4) 4 Northern View Circle	0	0	0	0	0
Northern View Community (Bldg 5) 5 Northern View Circle	0	0	0	0	0
Northern View Community (Bldg 6) 6 Northern View Circle	1	Unintentional-Occupant left plastic plate in oven which ignited upon operation.	0	0	$100-999
Stevenson North (C and D Towers) 1350 Stevenson Drive North	0	0	0	0	0
Stevenson South (A and B Towers) 420 Stadium Drive West	1	Unintentional-Ignited filter from overheated blower motor in unit ventilator	0	0	$100-999
Grant North (C and D Towers) 1250 Grant Drive North	0	0	0	0	0
Grant South (A and B Towers)	0	0	0	0	0

1221 Douglas Drive North					
Lincoln Hall 1151 Lucinda Avenue	0	0	0	0	0
Douglas Hall 1195 Stadium Drive North	0	0	0	0	0
Neptune North 750 Lucinda Drive	1	Unintentional- lint ignited from shorted-out water fountain condenser	0	0	$100-999
Neptune Complex 201 Carroll Avenue	1	Unintentional-charred Allocator control on malfunctioned Microfridge unit	0	0	$100-999
New Residence Hall East 501 North Annie Glidden Road	0	0	0	0	0
New Residence Hall West 1175 Lincoln Drive North	0	0	0	0	0
Clarkson (Lorado Taft Campus)	0	0	0	0	0
Grover (Lorado Taft Campus)	0	0	0	0	0
Heckman (Lorado Taft Campus)	0	0	0	0	0

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Fire Statistics for 2013

On-Campus Student Housing Facility	**Number of Fires**	**Cause of Fire**	**Injuries**	**Fatalities**	**Estimated Value of Property Damages**
Northern View Community (Bldg 2) 2 Northern View Circle	0	0	0	0	0
Northern View Community (Bldg 3) 3 Northern View Circle	0	0	0	0	0
Northern View Community (Bldg 4)	1	Unintentional – Oven grease fire in kitchen	0	0	$0-99

4 Northern View Circle					
Northern View Community (Bldg 5) 5 Northern View Circle	0	0	0	0	0
Northern View Community (Bldg 6) 6 Northern View Circle	0	0	0	0	0
Stevenson North (C and D Towers) 1350 Stevenson Drive North	1	Unintentional-Fire in Transformer Starter Control Box	0	0	$1,000-9,999
Stevenson South (A and B Towers) 420 Stadium Drive West	2	1-Unintentional-Dirty linen allegedly laden with grease residue ignited in laundry bin. 1- Intentional – Student ignited decoration on fire.	0 0	0 0	$100-999 $0-99
Grant North (C and D Towers) 1250 Grant Drive North	1	Unintentional-Burnt plastic on refrigerator compressor in student's room	0	0	$100-999
Lincoln Hall 1151 Lucinda Avenue	0	0	0	0	0
Douglas Hall 1195 Stadium Drive North	0	0	0	0	0
Neptune North 750 Lucinda Drive	0	0	0	0	0
Neptune Complex 201 Carroll Avenue	0	0	0	0	0
New Residence Hall East 501 North Annie Glidden Road	0	0	0	0	0
New Residence Hall West 1175 Lincoln Drive North	0	0	0	0	0
Gilbert Hall 383 Gilbert Drive	0	0	0	0	0
Clarkson (Lorado Taft Campus)	0	0	0	0	0

Grover (Lorado Taft Campus)	0	0	0	0	0
Heckman (Lorado Taft Campus)	1	Unintentional-Ignition of lint from shorted wire inside dryer.	0	0	$100-999

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Fire Statistics for 2014

On-Campus Student Housing Facility	**Number of Fires**	**Cause of Fire**	**Injuries**	**Fatalities**	**Estimated Value of Property Damages**
Northern View Community (Bldg 2) 2 Northern View Circle	0	0	0	0	0
Northern View Community (Bldg 3) 3 Northern View Circle	0	0	0	0	0
Northern View Community (Bldg 4) 4 Northern View Circle	1	*Unintentional – food ignited while being cooked in oven*	0	0	$0-99
Northern View Community (Bldg 5) 5 Northern View Circle	1	*Unintentional – grease fire while cooking on stove*	0	0	$0-99
Northern View Community (Bldg 6) 6 Northern View Circle	0	0	0	0	0
Stevenson North (C and D Towers) 1350 Stevenson Drive North	0	0	0	0	0
Stevenson South (A and B Towers) 420 Stadium Drive West	0	0	0	0	0
Grant North (C and D Towers) 1250 Grant Drive North	0	0	0	0	0
Douglas Hall 1195 Stadium Drive North	0	0	0	0	0
Neptune North 750 Lucinda Drive	0	0	0	0	0
Neptune Complex 201 Carroll Avenue	0	0	0	0	0

New Residence Hall East 501 North Annie Glidden Road	1	*Unintentional – burnt plastic spoon in microwave*	0	0	$0-99
New Residence Hall West 1175 Lincoln Drive North	1	*Unintentional – food ignited while being cooked in microwave for 15 minutes.*	0	0	$0-99
Gilbert Hall 383 Gilbert Drive	1	*Unintentional – burnt popcorn in microwave*	0	0	$0-99
Clarkson (Lorado Taft Campus)	0	0	0	0	0
Grover (Lorado Taft Campus)	0	0	0	0	0
Heckman (Lorado Taft Campus)	0	0	0	0	0

Notes: The address for the Lorado Taft Campus is 1414 North River Road, Oregon, Il. Clarkson, Grover, and Heckman do not have individual street addresses.

Future Improvements in the Student Housing Fire Safety Program

Northern Illinois University continues to pursue opportunities to further develop and refine the fire safety program in on campus student housing facilities based upon changes to applicable rules/regulations and internal policies, industry best practices and available resources.

Contact Information

To report an on-campus emergency, including all fires, please call. . . . **9-1-1**

To ensure all fires are properly documented,

please call the Campus Fire Safety Manager **815-753-6250**

Additional Contact Information

Public Safety Nonemergency 815-753-1212

University Switchboard 815-753-1000